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Green Corps participants make a difference in Taroon

A group of eight Green Corps participants today graduated from a 26-week Taroon Community Natural and Cultural Heritage Conservation Project.

Green Corps is an Australian Government program which provides environmental training and work experience for young people aged 17 to 20.

“This project gave these young people the valuable opportunity to carry out environmental restoration at sites including the Truganini Reserve, the Cartwright Reserve, the Boundary Reserves and Birch’s Bay Probation Station,” Mr Kerr said.

“Their work included planting a range of groundcovers, shrubs and trees, constructing a walking track, installing timber steps, installing drains, controlling weeds and conducting archaeological work with staff from Heritage Tasmania.”

The team, managed by Central Victorian Group Training, has worked in partnership with the Taroon Environment Network Inc, the Friends of Truganini Bushcare Group and the Kingborough Council.

Team members were awarded certificates for completing Certificate 1 in Conservation and Land Management, as well as certificates in OH&S and First Aid Training.

“Team members have learnt practical skills that will help them when they are looking for paid work,” Mr Kerr said.

“This project will also bring direct and immediate benefits to the local community by improving the ecology of the sites, and contributing to their cultural heritage values.”

Participants were congratulated for their hard work and dedication to the worthwhile project.

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